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In re Application of Tononi et al.

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, enclosed are references relating to the above-identified application. For the convenience of the Examiner, these references are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and a copy of each is enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered in the examination of this application and that their consideration be made of written record in the application file.

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